

Minutes of the Meeting of Welton Parish Council
Monday
9th December 2019 at 7.30 pm in Welton Village Hall

Present	Apologies
Cllr. D Smith	
Cllr. J Emery	
Cllr. G Smith	
Cllr. T Hopes	
Cllr. C Mortimore	
Cllr. C Peabody	
Dist. Cllr. J Pritchard	
Cllr. E Snedker	
Cllr. M Souter	
	Clerk
	Noreen Walsh
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		ACTION
2019/12/01	Apologies: None	
2019/12/02	Minutes of Meeting held on 11th November 2019: RESOLVED The minutes of the Welton Parish Council Meeting held on 11 th November 2019 were signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the meeting – proposed by Cllr. Emery and seconded by Cllr. Souter.	
2019/12/03	Members’ Declaration of Interest in any of the Following Items: None	
2019/12/04	Matters Arising from the Minutes/Review of Actions: 2019/05/5.5 Cllr. Peabody confirmed that he had briefed the litter working party and had provided them with the necessary equipment. Some litter collection has already taken place, he will provide a further update at the next meeting. 2019/10/5.7 Cllr. Peabody reported the two drain problems after the last meeting, and both he and Cllr. Pritchard have chased via Ian Smith & Ian Boyes from	

Highways. The Churchill Road drain is now fixed. Kiln Lane has been cleaned but the problem is still evident. Further investigation is necessary and is being organised by the Highways Department. In the short term, we are to receive signage to alert people to the potential risk of Ice in this area.

2019/09/08

Cllr. Souter advised that Eon have viewed the damaged street light and have sent a quotation for the work which will amount to £839.00 + VAT (full quotation attached). The Clerk was asked to advise Eon to schedule this work asap and progress a claim through Zurich Insurance.

2019/09/09

Cllr. Souter explained there was feedback from the company who maintains the council owned road signs that the sign we have chosen is too big to be attached to their signs. It was confirmed in the meeting, that for both positions the speed sign will be attached to WPC owned lamp posts. Cllr. Souter will take pictures and verify this with the relevant people from NCC and proceed with the procurement of the sign.

Cllr. Souter also raised the possibility of asking for speed signs to be added to the crossroads at Crockwell Hill as part of the traffic calming. This could be added to the work to be done when the road is formally changed to 40mph. There are similar installations around Northampton. Cllr. Peabody was asked to contact the relevant people to start the discussion.

2019/10/5.5

The Clerk recently contacted DDC regarding the issue of leaving bins on grass verges within the village. Darren Rolls, who is an Environmental Services Officer commented as follows **‘We would expect that bins are removed from the highway as soon as is reasonably practicable – i.e. when a home owner returns from work or within 24 hours of collection, unless extenuating circumstances apply’**. It was agreed by the Parish Council that a letter be sent to the resident asking them to return their bins to within their property boundary.

2019/10/5.6

Cllr. Souter and the Headteacher have been unable to meet as yet to discuss parking at the school and the walking bus. This will be scheduled for early in the new year.

2019/10/5.2

Cllr. Hopes reported that the painting of the play equipment is ongoing.

2019/09/11

The Clerk confirmed that she has booked the ‘New Clerk Training Course’ as requested and has received confirmation. The course will be completed over two Saturdays in March 2020, provided there are sufficient numbers.

2019/11/05

Cllr. Peabody has reported the damage to the speed sign at Crockwell Hill crossroads and the work is to be scheduled. Cllr. Pritchard

	<p>commented that two traffic cones had been placed at the site in preparation for the repairs, which should be completed shortly.</p> <p>2019/11/06 Cllr. Snedker has emailed Tom James on 3 occasion regarding Mickle Well. No response to date. Cllr. Pritchard has also been involved and will progress matters.</p> <p>2019/11/07 The Clerk confirmed that this has taken place – see Agenda Item 7 for more detailed information.</p> <p>2019/11/10 Cllr. Souter confirmed that this meeting had taken place, he will provide details in his member’s report.</p> <p>2019/11/11 The Clerk actioned this item as requested.</p>	
2019/12/05	<p>Members Reports:</p> <p>Cllr. Peabody Cllr. Peabody was recently approached by a resident living at the bottom of Churchill Road. There is a strip of ‘hard standing’ in front of the individual’s property that is currently in need of attention and is not as far as she can tell, maintained by anyone. She has asked who owns this land as it is not included in her deeds. Cllr. Peabody and Cllr. Emery will visit the site and also speak to the resident. In the meantime, Cllr. Peabody will send a photograph of this to Ian Smith and Ian Boyes at Highways to see if they have any information regarding this strip of land.</p> <p>Cllr. Souter Cllr. Souter asked about the arrangement regarding the sponsorship of the News & Views, currently sponsored by the Health Store in Daventry. The Clerk was asked to clarify this with the Editor and to find out when the final edition for this year is to be available.</p> <p>Cllr. Smith Cllr. G Smith has been approached by a resident in Station Road regarding a street light that is not working. The Clerk explained that she had already reported this, will follow up with Eon.</p> <p>Cllr. Mortimore Cllr. Mortimore notified the group about a vehicle that had been left outside 52 Ashby Road for approximately 3 months. The owner of the vehicle is not known and after local enquiries Cllr. Mortimore is none the wiser. From a DVLA search we are able to see that the vehicle is insured and taxed but does not have a current MOT certificate. The Clerk was asked to notify the Police.</p> <p>Cllr. Pritchard Cllr Pritchard provided a brief update following the recent Climate Emergency Meeting. Although Daventry District Council is happy with</p>	

	<p>their current record on environmental issues, it was not seen by all to be an accurate ‘picture’. The feeling was that things needed to be done sooner rather than later and DDC is to set up a panel to look into this issue.</p> <p>Cllr. Pritchard also reported that there is an ongoing concern for social care in the area, following the closure of the Grange Care Home some time ago and the news that the Evelyn Wright Home is to close shortly. This care home currently provides social care for around 30 residents, and some of these will be moving out around the Christmas period.</p>	
2019/12/06	<p>Planning Applications:</p> <p>DA/2019/0949 Location: Capistrano, Well Lane, Welton Demolition of existing Conservatory, construction of single and two storey rear extension. WPC Response: No Observations</p> <p>DA/2019/0815 Cllr. Snedker has received a response for the Gables, this has been approved subject to the usual checks.</p> <p>DA/2019/0655 (Amended) Location: Wilderness Previous application dated 13th August 2019 was discussed after the meeting and submitted on time. Cllr. Snedker also replied to an Email received from Mr York regarding this development.</p> <p>Cllr. Snedker informed the Council that following the last meeting, she received a home visit from two residents expressing their ongoing concerns in relation to this development. Cllr. Snedker re-iterated the paperwork that has been completed and the Parish Councils stance on this. Cllr. D Smith subsequently received a letter from the residents outlining their views.</p> <p>Cllr. Snedker was asked to liaise with the owners of the Wilderness Development to discuss raising the water level of the lake.</p>	
2019/12/07	<p>Website Update:</p> <p>Daryl Spires has provided the Clerk with some basic training to enable her to upload Agendas and Minutes. She also summarized the main work that had been completed and uploaded onto the website recently:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agendas and Minutes for 2019 • Recent News & Views • DACT trips for 2020 • Good Neighbour Scheme Update • Current Insurance Documentation <p>There is more work to be completed and this will be picked up by the Clerk and Daryl in the new year. Chairman D Smith acknowledged the help that Daryl has provided to date.</p>	

2019/12/08	Village Lighting Update: Cllr. Souter believes that the update is now complete and will arrange a 'walk of the village' with a delegation from the Parish Council to confirm that this is the case.													
2019/12/09	Village Speed Signs: Cllr. Souter covered this at Agenda Item 2019/12/04 (2019/09/09).													
2019/12/10	Budget / Precept (April 2020 – March 2021): Cllr. Souter summarized the proposed budget for 2020 / 2021; he will forward this to all to review ready for the January meeting.													
2019/12/11	VE Day Commemorations Cllr. D Smith read the letter received regarding the commemorations in 2020. Although no final decision was made regarding how the Parish Council might be involved, the following was agreed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. Souter will consult with the village school to see if they are to be involved. • Cllr. D Smith will speak to Margaret at the White Horse regarding their involvement. • The Clerk will add this as an Agenda item for the January meeting. 													
2019/12/12	ACRE Village Awards 2020 After some discussion, it was decided that the Parish Council would not be involved in this.													
2019/12/13	Village Hall Payment The Clerk advised the group that cheque number 1880 has now been found and paid into the Village Hall account, therefore the amount to be paid to the Village Hall this month is reduced by £17.00 to £34.00.													
2019/12/14	Correspondence – Forwarded Via Email Additional Correspondence Shared: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NatWest Bank Statement (30 Oct 2019 – 29 Nov 2019) • EON Quotation – Damaged street light Welton Park • Environmental Services Email – Wheelie Bins on Grass Verges • SLCC Membership Renewal (Clerk to present this for payment at January 2020 meeting) • Open Spaces membership Renewal (Clerk to check if this has already been paid) • Countryside Voices Magazine – Winter 2019 • DDC Media Release – Grant Scheme (Cllr. Souter to look into this scheme) • DDC Media Release – Country Park Café / Toilets Transformation 													
2019/12/15	Cheques to be Signed: Cheques signed in December - <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Eon</td> <td style="width: 20%;">1890</td> <td style="width: 20%;">£197.75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Village Hall</td> <td>1891</td> <td>£34.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NM Walsh</td> <td>1892</td> <td>£324.06</td> </tr> <tr> <td>White Horse</td> <td>1893</td> <td>£200.00</td> </tr> </table>	Eon	1890	£197.75	Village Hall	1891	£34.00	NM Walsh	1892	£324.06	White Horse	1893	£200.00	
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	<p>N.B – The cheque for £17.00, relating to the September Invoice from the Village Hall (cheque no. 1880) has now been found and paid in to the Village Hall account.</p> <p>RESOLVED: The above cheques were proposed for approval by Cllr. Hopes, seconded by Cllr. Peabody and signed accordingly for payment.</p>	
2019/12/16	<p>The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.07pm. The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 13th January 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.</p>	

ACTIONS REQUIRED FROM THE MINUTES
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 9TH DECEMBER 2019

Minute Item	Action Required	Who
2019/05/5.5	Cllr. Peabody to provide a further update regarding the ‘Litter Working Party’.	CP
2019/10/5.7	Cllr. Peabody to follow up on drain issue at the bottom of Kiln Lane.	CP
2019/09/08	Clerk to speak to Eon to schedule work to replace street light and to progress claim via Zurich.	Clerk
2019/09/09	Cllr. Souter to take pictures and seek clarity from NCC before proceeding with the procurement of the Speed Signs. Cllr. Peabody will look into the possibility of adding these speed signs to the Crockwell Hill crossroads.	MS CP
2019/10/5.5	Clerk to draft letter to resident regarding bins and grass verges.	Clerk
2019/10/5.6	Meeting to be arranged between Cllr. Souter and Head teacher to discuss parking and the walking bus.	MS
2019/11/06	Cllr. Pritchard to chase Tom James regarding Micklewell.	JS
2019/12/05	Cllr. Peabody to organise a meeting with resident and Cllr. Emery to discuss strip of land outside property in Churchill Road. Cllr. Peabody to also send photograph to Ian Smith and Ian Boyes at Highways.	CP
2019/12/05	Clerk to contact News and Views Editor to find out when the next edition is to be available and to explore the situation regarding sponsorship.	Clerk
2019/12/05	Clerk to follow up with Eon regarding street light in Station Road.	Clerk
2019/12/05	Clerk to notify Police about car left in Ashby Road.	Clerk
2019/12/06	Cllr. Snedker to liaise with the owners of the Wilderness Development to discuss raising the water level of the lake.	ES
2019/12/07	Clerk to schedule meeting with Daryl Spires in January for further work to website.	Clerk
2019/12/10	Cllr. Souter to forward proposed budget to all.	MS
2019/12/11	Cllr. Souter to discuss VE Day Commemoration plans with school. Cllr. D Smith to speak to Margaret at White Horse. The Clerk is to add this as agenda item for January’s meeting.	MS DS Clerk

2019/12/14	Clerk to add SLCC Membership to January meeting agenda. Clerk to check payment for Open Spaces membership. Cllr. Souter to review DDC Grant Scheme.	Clerk Clerk MS
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